Official Public Comment to Department of Energy on its Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repusitory for the Disposal of Spirit Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada (DOB/EIS-0250-D)

## Don't Waste America! The Only Cure for a Nuclear Waste Accident is Prevention

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## DOE proposes:

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- To transport tens of thousands of high-level radioactive waste shipments in inadequately tested casks by truck and train through 43 States over the course of the next 30 years
- To dump tens of thousands of tons of these deadly nuclear wastes at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, an unsuitable site riddled with active enthquake fault lines, fissures that will allow the fast flow of radioactive poisons into the groundwater below, and perhaps even a magma pocket beneath the mountain threatening a catastrophic flood of superhented water into the repository
  - To do this irregardless of the fact that people live downstream and will be exposed to harmful radioactivity
    for hundreds of thousands of years into the future when they drink the contaminated water and use it to
    irrigate their crops
- To ignore the fact that Yucca Mountain is secred traditional land belonging to the Western Shoshone Indian Nation, as affirmed by the Treaty of Ruby Valley signed by the United States in 1863.
- DOE, you do NOT have my permission to run Mobile Chemobyls past or near my home town just to dump them at a site YOU KNOW will leak. No way, no how, I will take action to stop this, small or large. Yucca Mountain cannot isolate the wastes from the living environment, and should be disqualified from further consideration as the permanent repository. We should not move the wastes unless we're sure doing so will improve the situation, not make it worse.

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